

# **MINUTES**

## **UTAH Dentist Dental Hygienist Licensing Board MEETING**

**August 17, 2007**

**Room 474 – 4th Floor – 8:15 a.m.  
Heber Wells Building  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

**CONVENED:** 8:19 a.m.

**ADJOURNED:** 11:26 a.m.

**Bureau Manager:**  
**Board Secretary:**

Daniel T. Jones  
Lee Avery

**Board Members Present:**

Brian Lundberg, DDS, Chairperson  
Anna Policelli RDH, Acting Chairperson  
Pamela Jolley  
Stephen Morgan, DDS  
Brent Larson, DDS  
James Ence, DDS

**Board Members Excused**

Mark Taylor, DDS, resigned  
Alex Larsen, DDS  
Karen Bateman, RDH

**Guests:**

Paul Frederick Carroll  
Brittany Gerard  
Michelle Carlow  
Camille Bryant  
Mindy Pace  
Allen Hibler, DDS  
Joe Mirci, DDS  
Lori Brogna  
Joleen VanBibber  
Sue Dougherty  
Sara Creamer

**DOPL Staff Present:**

F. David Stanley, Division Director  
Mitchell Jones, Attorney General Office

## **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS: MINUTES:**

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

Dr. Joe Mirci, Board Member wrap-up-  
The Board thanked Dr. Mirci for his years of  
service with the Board.

Mr. David Stanley, Proposal Global Definition  
of Levels of Supervision

Dr. Sage White, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Pete Eldridge, DDS, End of Probation  
Interview

## **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

The minutes from May 18 were reviewed Dr. Brent Larson motioned to accept the minutes with changes, seconded by Dr. Brian Lundberg. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board thanked Dr. Mirci for his many years of service with the Board.

Mr. Stanley reviewed the Memorandum regarding a Proposal Global Definition of Levels of Supervision with the Board. After a brief discussion and reviewing the Dental practice act/rules, Dr. Ence motioned to keep the definition's as is, seconded by Dr. Morgan. The motion carried unanimously

Dr. White presented himself to the Board. Dr. Brent Larson conducted the interview. The Board talked with Dr. White in detail and reviewed the files Dr. White brought with him. The Board noted several concerns, i.e. One case there was no post treatment x-rays and another one the x-rays were poor. The Board reminded Dr. White it requested a list of all patients with second (2<sup>nd</sup>) molar extractions. The Board will then advise Dr. White which patient files it wanted to see. The Board also asked Dr. White for a list of all new Ortho cases. The Board stated Dr. White is not in compliance until he submits these lists for the Boards review. The board asked to see Dr. White in October.  
**Not In Compliance**

Dr Eldridge presented himself to the Board. Dr. Lundberg conducted the interview. The Board noted Dr. Eldridge's probation was terminated as of June 26,

2007. Both his Dental, class II and Controlled Substance licenses have been reinstated with full privileges. Dr. Eldridge stated he has six (6) years of sobriety and is grateful for the Boards help. Dr. Eldridge stated he will continue attending the support meetings. The Board thanked Dr. Eldridge for his willingness to work with it and encouraged him to continue in the direction he is heading.

Dr. Rod Gardner, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Gardner presented himself to the Board. Ms. Policelli conducted the interview. Dr. Gardner advised the Board there have been no changes in his work schedule. He is in the very beginning states of opening his own practice in Tremonton. The Board noted Dr. Gardner has one and a half (1 ½) years left on his professional license probation. Dr. Gardner stated he and his wife continue leading support meetings. This has been extremely helpful to him. The Board encouraged Dr. Gardner to continue. The Board asked to see Dr. Gardner in February 2008. **In Compliance**

Dr. Kathleen McCombs, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. McCombs presented herself to the Board. Dr. Ence conducted the interview. Dr. McCombs advised the Board things were going well. She just signed a lease on a building. The office space was a dental practice at one time. She will only need to replace carpets and paint. Dr. McCombs stated this office is not plumbed for nitrous and she has no plans to use nitrous. Dr. McCombs stated she currently works Wednesday's and Friday's and has kept a work log, however, left it home. She will send this into Mr. Jones. The Board noted Dr. McCombs has made some very significant headway and encouraged Dr. McCombs to continue. The Board asked to see Dr. McCombs in November 2007. **In Compliance**

Dr. Paul Clark, DDS, Oregon Exam review

Dr. Clark presented himself to the Board. Dr. Clark asked the Board to consider accepting the Oregon practical exam. The Board reviewed the information Dr. Clark submitted and talked with him in detail. The

Board expressed several concerns and asked Dr. Clark to submit more information from the State Board and the dental school he attended regarding the practical exam he passed. Mr. Jones stated he will contact the Oregon Board, leaving Dr. Clark to contact the school. Dr. Clark thanked the Board for meeting with him.

#### Dr. Perry Fifield, DDS, Probation Interview

Dr. Fifield presented himself to the Board. Dr. Morgan conducted the interview. Dr. Fifield advised the Board he has been trying to find employment. He has completed eighty two (82) hours of community service. This is in addition to the ninety-two (92) hours completed with Dr. Rasmussen. Mr. Jones has this documentation. Dr. Fifield stated he has paid \$1300.00 on his fine and he has worked out a payment plan for the rest of the fine. The Board asked Dr. Fifield to keep a work log, especially noting the time he starts and stops working in each office. This is for donated hours as well as work hours. This log will work as documentation in case his hours come into question. The Board advised Dr. Fifield his appointment letter with the Board was returned for a bad address and Mr. Jones was unable to reach him by phone. Dr. Fifield gave the Board a new mailing address and phone number. The Board noted Dr. Fifield's criminal probation is for thirty six (36) months and encouraged Dr. Fifield to read his stipulation and become very familiar with it. The Board advised Dr. Fifield he will need to provide his new employer with a copy of the stipulation and documentation regarding this has been completed to the Board. The Board asked to see Dr. Fifield in September 2007.

#### **Not in Compliance**

#### **DISCUSSION:**

#### **Discussion taken out of order on the agenda:**

Dr. Mark Taylor, DDS, Daniel T. Jones

Mr. Jones advised the Board Dr. Taylor was unable to accept his position with the Board.

“Grills” – Dr. Brian Lundberg

Dr. Lundberg advised the Board of an infomercial on television recently regarding ‘grills’ or mouth jewelry.

These are very popular with rappers and are becoming the newest fad. The Board discussed this in detail expressing concerns of dental problems if the patient is not informed of the proper use. Some appliances are for long term, some are for short term. Jones asked the Board to forward more information to him for investigations to review.

American Dental Association (ADA)  
accreditation site visit at the U of U letter–  
Daniel T. Jones

Mr. Jones reviewed a letter from the University of Utah inviting Board members to attend the American Dental Association (ADA) Accreditation. Dr. Brent Larson expressed interest and was referred to Dr. Olsen at the University of Utah.

Application Review  
Dr. Tate Lott Viehweg

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The Board approved the Class IV permit only. The Board did not review the Oregon State practical exam. The application will need to be taken before the September Board for review.

**BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Finalization of the Supervisory Role and  
Responsibilities form

After reviewing the current revision of this form, Dr. Morgan motioned to accept with changes, seconded by Dr. Ence.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Ence.

*Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.*

September 21, 2007

Date Approved

(ss) Anna Policelli, RDH

Chairperson, Dentist Dental Hygienist Licensing  
Board

September 21, 2007

Date Approved

(ss) Daniel T. Jones

Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &  
Professional Licensing